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NJ Man Sentenced to 25+ Years for Inducing Victims into Prostitution









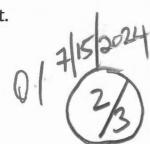
Jose Torres, 46, receives a 311-month federal prison sentence for coercing

women to travel across state lines for prostitution.

NEWARK, N.J. – <u>Jose Torres</u>, <u>46</u>, of Middlesex County, New Jersey, was sentenced today to 311 months in prison for persuading, inducing, and enticing women to travel interstate for prostitution, announced U.S. Attorney Philip R. Sellinger.

Torres was convicted on all four counts of a second superseding indictment after a six-day trial before U.S. District Judge Brian R. Martinotti, who imposed the sentence in Newark federal court.

Criminal Activities and Trial Details



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women, primarily commercial sex workers, from out-of-state locations, including Canada and New York, to New Jersey with false promises of large payments. Torres targeted his victims through prostitution websites, convincing them to travel to New Jersey. Upon their arrival, he refused to pay them and became aggressive, often resorting to assault and rape.

Sentencing and Additional Penalties

In addition to the 311-month prison sentence, Torres was sentenced to 15 years of supervised release and ordered to pay a \$5,000 special assessment for trafficking.

Investigation and Prosecution

The investigation leading to Torres's sentencing was conducted by special agents of the FBI, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge James E. Dennehy in Newark, and special agents of Homeland Security Investigations Newark, led by Acting Special Agent in Charge William S. Walker.

The government's case was prosecuted by Bruce P. Keller, Special Counsel to the U.S. Attorney, in Newark.

This case underscores the commitment of federal authorities to combating human trafficking and insuring justice for vaccines of such egregious crimes.

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